

## Alexandria Gazette.

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 25, 1903.

## LOCAL NEWS.

sun rises tomorrow at 5:59 a. m. and sets 5:57 p. m. High water at 10:51 a. m. and 11:18 p. m.

**WEATHER PROBABILITIES.**—For this section fair tonight and Saturday; warmer Saturday; light variable winds, becoming southerly.

## Delinquent City Taxes.

At the meeting of the finance committee on Wednesday night, Corporation Attorney Boothe was requested to at once initiate proceedings to enforce the collection of the large amount of taxes now charged against property. For years past the City Auditor has called the attention of the committee to the accumulation of taxes on property which had been sold and bought in by the city. It will be recalled that early in the year 1900 former Councilman E. E. Lawler introduced a resolution in council directing the Corporation Attorney to proceed and collect these arrearages. The resolution was referred to the committee on finance and general laws and they reported an ordinance which was approved April 12, 1900, authorizing the Corporation Attorney "to institute such suits as may be necessary for the collection of such taxes." These collections have not progressed as fast as their importance seems to demand, owing to other law matters affecting the city which required the attention of its legal adviser. The growth of these arrearages can be appreciated by the fact that on Wednesday last the committee handed the Corporation Attorney a list containing the names of twenty-six persons who were charged with taxes upon improved property, none in recent tax sales, but these as a rule of 1879, 1886 and 1889, the amount charged being approximately \$7,000. On three pieces of unimproved land, which represents splendid building lots, nearly \$5,000 is due. On two of these pieces no taxes have been paid for forty years; on the other nothing for twenty years. On the twenty-six pieces every house is either occupied by its owner or rented, and not one dollar has been paid on the different pieces in periods ranging from eight to thirty-six years. It goes without saying that these delinquents imagine themselves immune, and that every one else should pay but themselves. To explode, if possible, this idea, the City Council passed the ordinance to which reference has been made, and certainly the large number of taxpayers hope the attorney for the city will push these cases to a settlement and at once, as many more thousands of dollars are now due the city for which little or no excuse can be offered, and the collection of which debts should be enforced before they assume immense proportions.

## Violated Jim Crow Law.

Mr. George McBurney, of this city, was taken in custody late yesterday afternoon by Officer Roberts on complaint of Conductor Bell, of the electric railway, on a charge of violating the law providing for separation of the races in the cars of that company. The accused left collateral for his appearance this morning. When the case was called the conductor stated that when the train left Washington it was crowded and Mr. McBurney went into the portion of the car allotted to colored people and took a seat alongside of a colored man. The official called his attention to the fact that he was violating the law, when Mr. McBurney told the conductor if he would find him another seat he would take it. The conductor replied that none was available then, and when the train entered Virginia, Mr. Vernon, a passenger, who supposed the matter would end in a police court case, and he was summoned as a witness, arose from a seat he was occupying and invited Mr. McBurney to take it. The latter declined the offer, however, and a passenger who had been standing took the seat. The train stopped at each station while on its way to this city and soon there were plenty of empty seats. Mr. McBurney remained in the seat with the colored man and when the train entered King street Officer Roberts, who had been notified to meet the train, boarded it and arrested Mr. McBurney. The latter in his statement this morning corroborated most of the evidence given by the conductor, but said when Mr. Vernon offered him his seat he declined it for the reason that he did not desire to deprive him of it. He admitted that he could have procured another seat before the train reached Alexandria, but was comfortable where he was. The Mayor in summing up the case said there was no need of examining witnesses, as Mr. McBurney's own statement proved he was clearly in the wrong, and he imposed a fine of \$5 upon him.

## Police Court.

[Mayor G. L. Simpson presiding.] The following cases were disposed of this morning:

Robert Jackson, colored, arrested by acting Chief Knight and Officer Garvey charged with promoting policy, was fined \$50.

Maria Beach, colored, arrested by Officer Garvey for abusive language toward Mary Grigsby, colored, was dismissed.

A citizen, arrested by Officer Roberts for violating the law providing for the separation of races in electric cars, was fined \$5.

Ernest Sullivan, arrested by Officers Bettis and Ticer for being drunk in the street, was sent to the work house for 20 days.

Mary Duncan, colored, arrested on a similar charge by Officer Garvey, was sent back to Bealeton, where she came from.

Charles Robey, arrested by Officers Griffin and Young charged with disorderly conduct and fighting, forfeited \$5 collateral. Henry Burke and Oscar Cook, arrested on a similar charge were dismissed.

## Policy Promoter Fined.

Robert Jackson, colored, arrested yesterday by acting Chief Knight and Officer Garvey charged with promoting policy, pleaded guilty in the Police Court this morning and was fined \$50 by the Mayor. The acting chief had had Jackson under espionage lately, and had seen him leave electric trains at Jackson City and enter a place which is believed policy is conducted. Yesterday Mr. Knight with Officer Garvey took him in custody and upon entering Jackson's house on Henry street they found the numbers, drawings and money.

## FIRES LAST NIGHT.

Watkins Bros' Slaughter House, Stable, Carriage House and Barn in West End Burned with Contents.—Mr. M. R. O'Sullivan's Store on Fire Later.

Shortly before two o'clock this morning nearly every body in the city was awakened by the blast of locomotive whistles at the Southern Railway depot as well as by those of engines stretched on the track for about a mile west of the city. The firebells soon sounded and simultaneously the western heavens were illuminated by a bank of light which arose from West End. The fire was quickly located—it was in Watkins Bros' barn, on the south side of West End, and opposite the reservoir of the Alexandria Water Company. The Columbia engine and Relief Hook and Ladder truck repaired to the same, but the fire had gained such headway before it was discovered that all attempts to check it were futile and the buildings, which were of wood, were soon destroyed with most of their contents, which included two horses, some dressed meat, hides, farming utensils, harness, wagons, buggies, etc., entailing a loss of about \$5,000, upon which there was no insurance. The origin of the fire is a mystery, although some incline to the belief that it was the work of an incendiary. About two hours later the fire bells were again sounding, a fire having been discovered in Mr. M. R. O'Sullivan's store, northeast corner of Patrick and Franklin streets. The entire department responded and the flames were soon subdued. The fire had broken out at the head of a stairway running into the upper story and was raging among some stacks of matches. The damage was not extensive. The cause of the fire is unknown.

## Both fires were in Fairfax county.

## Freight Trains in Collision.

There was a collision between two freight trains at Hickory Hill, about two miles south of Charlottesville, between 7 and 8 o'clock last night, by which three engines were considerably damaged and a number of cars demolished and others put out of service. A southbound train, drawn by one engine, had arrived at the switch where it had orders to pass a northbound doubleheader. The switch, it seems, was not adjusted for the northbound train to pass on the other track, and it being down-grade for the latter, it could not be stopped and a collision was inevitable. The two locomotives of the southbound train struck the stationary train with terrific force, and the three engines were piled on each other. Several of the members of both crews were injured, although the railway officials here say no one was seriously hurt. Some time was occupied in clearing the track, but by morning trains were running again as usual.

## Accused Dismissed.

James F. Wood, Robert B. Cogan and Edward Faust, three young men of this city, were taken into custody in Washington Wednesday night and locked up. The men were arrested on complaint of Charles Holland, a telegraph operator, who told the police that his watch had been taken from his pocket while he was in a saloon earlier in the evening, at the corner of 13th and D streets northwest. When the men were searched at the station house the missing timepiece was found in Wood's possession. Cogan claimed that he found the watch in a cuspidor and gave it to Wood. The case came up before Judge Scott this morning and the accused were dismissed, the Judge stating that there was no evidence on which to hold the men. They were represented by Mr. Charles Bendheim, of this city. A gentleman from this city who attended the trial says there was no evidence upon which they could have been held.

## Hospital Notes.

The amount necessary for the purchase of an ambulance for the Alexandria Hospital has been raised, and this much-needed adjunct to the institution has been ordered and is expected at an early day.

The hospital is in urgent need of a new sterilizer for the water used at the institution. Such a contrivance will cost about \$500, and those in charge of the hospital, appreciating many favors in times past, call attention of its many friends to this much-felt want.

The Alexandria Hospital is undoubtedly one of the most valued of all our public institutions, and it has long since become indispensable. It is a standing appeal to the munificence of the community in which it has done so much good.

## Body Reported in the River.

A report was received at police headquarters in Washington yesterday from Capt. Steele, of the schooner Mary Ann Shay, that he had passed the body of a drowned man floating in the river near River View on Wednesday. Act-Capt. Carter thought it might be the body of Richard B. Caroway, the young clerk who has been missing from his desk in the office of James S. Eashby-Smith, (attorney in charge of pardons in the Department of Justice,) since September 15. Harbor-master Sutton went down the river on the harbor-boat Vigilant but failed to find the body. The Vigilant stopped here on her way down when inquiries were made, but no one around the wharves had heard of a body having been seen in the river.

## Railroad Mission.

Opening services will be held at the Railroad Mission on Sunday at 4 p. m.; regular services thereafter every Sunday afternoon at the usual hour. A most cordial invitation is extended to all railroad men and their families to attend the services. A special welcome is extended to young men who are invited to come and bring their friend.

## Prof. Langley's Air Ship.

A strong wind from the northwest blew steadily all day yesterday, and Prof. Langley's airship experts were obliged to keep under shelter at Wide-water. An attempt to launch the flying machine was impracticable. It is probable that an attempt to make a test will be made when the weather becomes favorable.

## Jurors.

The following is the list of jurors drawn for the Circuit Court for the city, Judge Nicol, which meets on Monday. Alfred Thompson, G. D. Hopkins, Julian Taylor, G. E. Price, C. F. Thompson, A. Katz, F. G. Swaine, J. G. Hendshaw, C. T. Helms, D. Ruben, J. G. Cockey and O. F. Baggett.

## Personal.

Mr. Bloume McNeely, of Richmond, who has been visiting his friend, Mr. Eck. McDearmon, has returned home much pleased with his visit.

Mr. E. McDearmon, of Richmond, is visiting his friend, Mr. E. R. Smith, of this city.

Mrs. J. T. Preston is in Warrenton on a visit to friends.

Capt. Henry W. Kearney, who has been sick for several weeks at the home of his sister, Mrs. McQuilkin, near Shepherdstown, W. Va., was able to return to his home in Alexandria on Tuesday.

Misses Pearl Hoffman, Bessie and Fannie Smith, of Alexandria, were in the city Wednesday, the guests of Miss Mary Moncure, and attended the fair.—[Fredericksburg Star.]

Mr. E. B. Taylor, Mrs. A. E. Smoot and Miss Kate Smoot have returned from a delightful trip through Europe.

Lieut. J. M. Love, U. S. A., is spending a few days with friends in this city.

Mr. John Schofield, formerly of this city, but now of Zanesville, Ohio, is on a short visit to friends in this city.

## The Golf Club.

The club house presented an attractive appearance last evening, having been artistically decorated for the card party given by the members. The portions were bright with lanterns and the reception room was festooned with flowers and hangings in the club colors. An open wood fire contributed greatly to the color effect and added to the comfort and enjoyment of all. The party was a large and merry one. Cards were played until ten o'clock when supper was served. The handsome prizes were won by Mrs. Gatewood and Miss Elizabeth Lee, Mr. Morrell and Mr. Lewis Machen. The consolation prizes were drawn by Mrs. Emmet Dunn and Mr. Emory, of Washington. The hostesses, Mrs. T. Marshall Jones, Mrs. Henry Robertson and Mrs. Clarence Howard were much complimented upon the success of the entertainment. Among the out of town guests were Miss Hanna and Mr. Emory, of Washington, Miss Brown, of North Carolina, and Mr. Payne, of Baltimore.

## Funerals.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Catharine Schmidt, whose death occurred at her home, 704 North Columbus street, on Tuesday, took place this morning from St. Mary's Church. The services were conducted by Rev. Father Cutler. The funeral of the late John B. Kelly, whose death occurred on Tuesday, took place this afternoon from St. Mary's Church, and was attended by a number of friends and acquaintances of the deceased. The services were conducted by Rev. Father Cutler. The pallbearers were Messrs. Peter Brenner, Geo. Pettit, Charles Downey, Sidney Wheatley, Chas. Brenner and Emmet Kelley.

## A New Union.

Mr. E. E. Hancock, District Organizer for the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, instituted a branch of that organization in this city last night. The new union, which will be known as Local No. 1053, starts out with eleven members and every prospect of being a great success. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: John P. Rodier, President; Lewis Monroe, Vice President; Howard T. Colvin, General Secretary-treasurer; Elmo Steel, Warden; John Groves, Conductor.

## Sudden Death.

Mr. Frank Dainty, who for some time had had charge of the delivery wagon of Mr. Samuel Mills' bakery, died suddenly last night at his home, 515 North Alfred street. The deceased was taken sick yesterday evening, and later he had a congestive chill. Drs. Jones and Gibson were summoned, but he failed to respond to treatment and died about 11 o'clock at night. Mr. Dainty leaves a widow and four children. He was a native of England.

## Fire in Culpeper.

The freight depot of the Southern Railway at Culpeper, on the opposite side of the tracks from the passenger station, was burned between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning. Two box cars were also destroyed and several others slightly damaged. The fire also burned the telegraph poles in front of the building and caused a tangle of the wires which interfered with the transmission of messages.

## Knights of Pythias.

Alexandria lodge, Knights of Pythias, held an interesting meeting last night. The attendance was large. During the evening Deputy Grand Chancellor E. R. Boyer gave a history of the origin and growth of the order and a notable programme of exercises followed. After adjournment members repaired to Mr. Louis Brill's restaurant, where they partook of a bounteous collation.

## The City Gains.

The City Council recently sold to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company a track of land near the alum house, supposed to contain about three acres, and fixed the price at \$1,250 per acre. The land has just been surveyed and found to contain a fraction over five acres. Of course the city will receive just that much more money from the sale.

## Suit for Divorce.

George M. Griffith yesterday in Washington filed suit for divorce against Elizabeth Griffith on statutory grounds. They were married in Alexandria in 1889. Mr. Griffith says his wife deserted him in March last and went to Atlanta, Ga. Milton Strassburger is named as counsel for the petitioner.

## Fatal Accident.

Moses Young, colored, attempted to jump on a moving southbound C. & O. freight train at Ditchy about eleven o'clock today and was struck by the northbound Manassas train and killed. His body was brought here and turned over to Messrs. Demaine & Sons, undertakers, who prepared it for burial.

## Masonic Apron.

At a meeting last night of Alexandria Washington Lodge of Masons Mr. J. P. Milburn presented to the lodge a Masonic apron worn by his great-grandfather, G. P. Marsteller at the funeral of George Washington. The apron is of white satin trimmed with blue silk and silver tinsel.

A broken rail on Henry street, near Duke, caused the derailing of a number of cars on that street about noon today. The damage was slight.

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## LOCAL BREVITIES.

After the meeting of Mechanics Lodge, Knights of Pythias, last night there was a banquet at the Opera House cafe.

A wagon loaded with hay was overturned at DeW. Aitchison's wood and coal yard corner of Duke and Fairfax streets early this morning.

Mr. William Cleveland, a carpenter, while at work this morning on Mr. Putnam's new house on Patrick street, near Cameron, fell from a ladder and broke his collarbone. It is also feared that he is injured internally.

## Stomach Trouble.

"I have been troubled with my stomach for the past four years," says D. L. Beach, of Clover Nook Farm, Greenfield, Mass. "A few days ago I was induced to buy a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. I have taken part of them and feel a great deal better." If you have any trouble with your stomach try a box of these Tablets. You are certain to be pleased with the result. Price 25 cents. For sale by Richard Gibson.

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## LOST.

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